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June 9, 1983

Simmons Ambulance Service
1058 State
East St. Louis, IL

Dear Sir:

As you probably are aware, the Pfizer facility in East St. Louis, IL. manufactures inorganic iron oxide pigments. One of the raw materials used at this location for over 40 years is spent acid obtained from a number of steel companies. This spent acid, also known as pickle liquor, has been listed by the U S Environmental Protection Agency as a hazardous waste because of its corrosive properties. This means that Pfizer must obtain a hazardous waste treatment site operating permit to continue using pickle liquor in the processes. No other hazardous waste can be treated at this plant under the terms of this permit; thus, the operations will continue as they have done for many years in the past.

One of the steps that must be taken in order to obtain this permit is that a plan must be prepared to enable the plant to deal with any possible emergencies, such as chemical spills. This plan must also be sent to all local police departments, fire departments, hospitals, and other groups that may be called in to deal with any emergencies that may arise. This letter and the Pollution Release Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure Plan have been sent to you to make you aware of our emergency response plans, allow you to become familiar with the layout of the plant, the role your firm would play in the event of an emergency, and to comply with Section 725.153 of the Illinois Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. If an emergency occurs at the plant that requires your services, your role would be to transport injured workers from the plant site to the designated hospital. The plant guard that contacts you will give you instructions as to where you should go in the plant, what potential hazards to expect, and all other pertinent information.

We hope that you will take the time to review this plan. Although Pfizer has invested a great deal of training into ensuring that the possibility of an oil or chemical spill are minimized, the development of this plan will help our facility deal with any unforeseen accident.



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If you have any questions or comments, please contact the
Plant's Environmental Engineer, Jeff Carlton at 271-4700.

Sincerely

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